CASES ADJUDGED

IN THE

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

AT

OCTOBER TERM, 2002

FORD MOTOR CO. ET AL. v. McCAULEY ET AL.

CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

No. 01–896. Argued October 7, 2002—Decided October 15, 2002 Certiorari dismissed. Reported below: 264 F. 3d 952.

Seth P. Waxman argued the cause for petitioners. With him on the briefs were Walter E. Dellinger, John H. Beisner, Brian P. Brooks, Jonathan D. Hacker, Christopher R. Lipsett, and Bruce M. Berman.

Steve W. Berman argued the cause for respondents. With him on the brief were Roger W. Kirby, James G. Lewis, and Russell J. Drake.*

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Per Curiam

PER CURIAM.

The writ of certiorari is dismissed as improvidently granted.

It is so ordered.

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Briefs of amici curiae urging affirmance were filed for the Association of Trial Lawyers of America by Jeffrey Robert White and Laura C. Tharney; and for Trial Lawyers for Public Justice by Roger L. Mandel, Marc R. Stanley, Mark A. Chavez, Arthur Bryant, and Michael Quirk.